



**Zero Waste Arlington
June 2024 - Minutes
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Date: 6/24/24

Time: 7pm

Location: Location: 51 Grove Street Arlington MA; 2nd floor conference room

Attendees: Larry, Charlotte, Jennifer, Emily, Priya, Paul, Sarah, Margie,

Guests: Chris Robson, Ian Choi (intern for Charlotte)

Agenda

1. Old Business

- a. Review and approve April 2024 ZWA meeting minutes.

2. New Business

a. Tabling Events update

- i. Arlington Heights - Spring Fling. Steady flow of folks. We should keep doing it. Got a lot of standard questions.
- ii. Farmers Market - Sarah suggested maybe for us to give out reusable produce bags. Sarah will look into it.
- iii. Stop N Shop - Priya and Amy tabled.
- iv. Generally good to have our name out there and do this even
- v. Town Hall garden has a Pride event this Saturday which Charlotte has signed up for.

b. Town Day planning

- i. Sarah, Emily, Jennifer - subcommittee.
- ii. Reduce single use repeat for 2024 - Margie, Amy, and Emily meeting this Sunday for planning.

c. Budget - leftover funds

- i. Beer garden budgeting - Margie has an estimate for \$1000-1300. This will come out of Charlotte's budget. We can put this in next years' budget - any misc expenses. Voted to approve future expenditures for washing reusable beer cups.
- ii. Amy's request for \$75 to pay for shipping of eclipse glasses. Discussion on the topic. Charlotte thought it was appropriate.
- iii. Voted unanimously on spending additional \$160 on Build a Sign expenditures
- iv. Voted unanimously on spending the rest of the remaining FY 24 funds on Metropolitan Pipe (for water filling stations)

- d. Beer Garden planning for using reusable cups that will be washed - Beer Garden Reuse project. Margie has done the research and talked to Arlington Brewing Company
- e. Legislative Subcommittee update
 - i. Senate bill to reduce plastics was debated. Plastic bag ban, skip the stuff and black plastic bans - passed the Senate and now they have to debate it in the house.
 - ii. 26 amendments to the bill - not all passed but the black plastic ban did.
 - iii. Splitting the amendments so there isn't a fight on negotiating.
- f. Committee Governance
 - i. Larry provided an update of what we discussed a couple of months back about governance.
 - ii. Everyone whose term expired in 2024 has agreed to be on the committee for another term. (Sarah, Larry, Jennifer, and Mully)
 - iii. Co-chair discussion - Larry and Priya are looking for someone to take on the role. The committee nominated Jim and Jennifer as co-chairs. The committee will vote at the July meeting.
- g. Misc Topics
 - i. Charlotte has interns this summer - mostly Project Zero project planning
 - ii. AoT update - Larry has turned on Swan Place. There is some discussion on the payment of the water bill.

Meeting adjourned